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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the B.B.
Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. for its many contributions to the community.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the B. B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. for its many contributions to the community.

Whereas, The Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. publishes the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible;

Whereas, The Thompson Chain-Reference Bible was created by Dr. Frank Charles Thompson because, as a young preacher in the late 1800s, he was disappointed with the reference Bibles being sold to preachers;

Whereas, Dr. Thompson felt the Bible should be presented in a simple, scholarly way;

Whereas, In 1890, Dr. Thompson began his life's work when he completed the "thought suggestions" opposite the verses throughout the Bible;

Whereas, Word of this new Bible spread, and Dr. Thompson was encouraged to publish his new Bible so that more people could use this helpful tool;

Whereas, In 1913, Dr. Thompson joined forces with B.B. Kirkbride to form the Kirkbride Bible Company to ensure that this remarkable Bible would be constantly improved and would reach the widest distribution possible;

Whereas, The B. B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. continues to publish this remarkable Bible and assists the community in numerous ways;



Whereas, The B.B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. is a family-owned business started when B.B. Kirkbride was in his last year in Cotner College;

Whereas, B.B. Kirkbride sold the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible with no financial backing, depending on his own efforts to meet his expenses in school while selling the Bible;

Whereas, Selling the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible was not easy in the beginning; however, Mr. Kirkbride persisted and learned how to overcome the problems of selling the Bible;

Whereas, Through hard work and dedication, Mr. Kirkbride obtained the exclusive franchise to distribute the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible;

Whereas, Although Mr. Kirkbride's home was in Macomb, Illinois, he felt it was important to have his company located in a good railroad center;

Whereas, Indianapolis was the perfect place, since it was an important railroad hub for the country;

Whereas, The Thompson Chain-Reference Bible has continue to grow and improve throughout the years; it is now published in Spanish, French, and German;

Whereas, As computers became a larger part of our lives, the B.B. Kirkbride Co., Inc. allowed Beacon Technology to develop and market a software program using the Thompson "Helps" known as HyperBible;

Whereas, In an effort to bring the Bible to more people, the B.B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. assisted Indiana churches in supplying a Thompson Chain-Reference Bible to all members of the Indiana General Assembly;

Whereas, Throughout history no book has brought more enlightenment and comfort to mankind than the Bible;

Whereas, The Thompson Chain-Reference Bible, through



the B.B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc., is one of the most comprehensive and easily understood tools to aid in Bible study every created; and

Whereas, The Bible is a source of comfort and knowledge; the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible increases our ability to understand and study Bible verse: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to thank
- 2 the B.B. Kirkbride Bible Co., Inc. for its outstanding Bible and its
- 3 efforts to encourage Bible study by publishing an easily understood
- 4 study Bible.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the B. B. Kirkbride
- 7 Bible Co., Inc.

